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1. CONFIDENTIAL - ENTIRE TEXT

2. DETENTION OF 12 AMERICANS IN KUNMING: A CHENGDU CONSULAR OFFICER HAS SPOKEN WITH THE AMERICANS, WHO SAY THEY ARE NO LONGER CONFINED TO THEIR HOTEL, BUT THEY CANNOT LEAVE KUNMING. THE AMERICANS WERE CHARGED WITH DISTRIBUTING RELIGIOUS MATERIALS AND POSSESSION OF "COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY MATERIAL" (POSSIBLY A HONG KONG NEWSPAPER DISCUSSING EVENTS IN CHINA). THE GROUP HOPES TO DEFART KUNMING FOR GUANGZHOU ON TUESDAY. A CHINESE OFFICIAL INFORMED CHENGDU THAT THE GROUP'S TIMELY DEPARTURE FROM KUNMING WILL DEPEND ON THEIR "SPIRIT OF COOPERATION" IN THE INVESTIGATION. ACCORDING TO EMBASSY BEIJING, CHENGDU WILL SEND A CONSULAR OFFICER TO KUNMING ON MONDAY, JUNE 26 TO ASSIST THE DETAINEES.
(BEIJING/TF/WILLIAMS TELCON)

3. CHINESE PRESS REPORTS 3 AMERICANS WILL BE ASKED TO LEAVE CHINA. THE EMBASSY HAS ASKED SHANGHAI TO CONFIRM A CHINESE PRESS REPORT THAT 3 AMERICANS WHO ENTERED CHINA

IN MID-MAY MUST LEAVE CHINA. ACCORDING TO THE NEWS, THEY HOLD FALSE NANKING UNIVERSITY ID'S AND HAVE BEEN ILLEGALLY COLLECTING COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY MATERIALS.
(BEIJING 17121)

4. PEOPLE'S DAILY JUNE 24 EXCERPTS DENG XIAOPING'S REMARKS TO PRESIDENTS CARTER AND BUSH. THE EDITOR'S NOTE CLAIMS THAT DENG'S VIEWS ON INTERNAL CHINESE POLITICS EXPRESSED TO FORMER PRESIDENT CARTER IN 1987 AND TO PRESIDENT BUSH ON FEBRUARY 26 ARE BEING PUBLISHED FOR THE FIRST TIME. IN THESE MEETINGS, DENG STRESSED CHINA'S INABILITY TO COPY U.S.-STYLE DEMOCRACY, AND THE NECESSITY OF MAINTAINING A STABLE POLITICAL ENVIRONMENT

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